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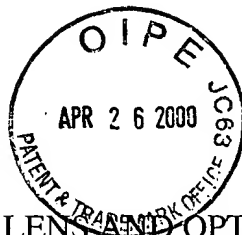
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OLIVA

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FOR FOCUSING A LASER BEAM AND APPARATUS
AND METHOD FOR ASSEMBLING THE OPTICAL
DEVICE



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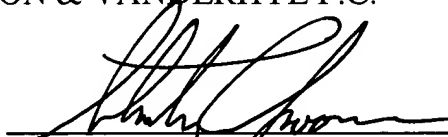
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